STATE OF CALIFORNIA

BUSINESS, CONSUMER SERVICES AND HOUSING AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS OVERSIGHT

TO: Kevin A. Fisher
KFisher Consulting Group
6435 Laguna Mirage Lane
Elk Grove, California 95758

DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER (For violations of section 12200 of the California Financial Code)

The Commissioner of Business Oversight ("Commissioner") finds that:

- 1. At all relevant times, Kevin Fisher ("Fisher") was a natural person and a resident of the State of California. Fisher's last known business address is 6435 Laguna Mirage Lane, Sacramento, California 95758.
- 2. At all relevant times, Fisher did business as KFisher Consulting Group ("KFisher"). KFisher is not registered with the California Secretary of State as a corporation or an LLC. Fisher never registered KFisher as a fictitious business name in Sacramento County.
- 3. Between 2009 and 2014, Fisher dba KFisher contracted with consumers to negotiate debts with creditors for an upfront fee.
- 4. As part of these agreements, Fisher dba KFisher promised that if the debt was not successfully negotiated, the upfront fee would be returned, in its entirety.
- 5. On multiple occasions, Fisher dba KFisher accepted monies intended to pay a consumer's debt, however, those debts were either not settled in their entirety or the monies never made it to the creditor.
 - 6. Fisher dba KFisher never honored their money back policy.
- 7. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over and regulates bill payers and proraters under the Check Sellers, Bill Payers and Proraters Law (Financial Code sec. 12000 et seq.) Financial Code section 12200 states:

No person shall engage in the business, for compensation, of selling checks, drafts, money orders, or other commercial paper serving the same purpose, or of receiving money as agent of an obligor for the purpose of paying bills, invoices, or accounts of such obligor, or acting as a prorater, nor shall any person, without direct compensation and not as an authorized agent for a utility company, accept money for the purpose of forwarding it to others in payment of utility bills, without first obtaining a license from the commissioner.

9. Financial Code section 12002.1 defines a "prorater" as follows:

A prorater is a person who, for compensation, engages in whole or in part in the business of receiving money or evidences thereof for the purpose of distributing the money or evidences thereof among creditors in payment or partial payment of the obligations of the debtor.

- 10. During the years 2009 through 2014, Fisher and KFisher acted as a prorater within the meaning of Financial Code section 12002.1.
- 11. Neither Fisher nor KFisher have ever had a license to perform prorater services in the State of California, as required by Financial Code section 12200, and are not exempt under Financial Code section 12104.
- 12. Further, during the relevant time period, Fisher and KFisher violated numerous provisions of the Financial Code intended to protect California consumers, including but not limited to Financial Code sections 12205 (bonding and minimum asset requirements), 12315 (consent of creditors), 12315.1 (notice to creditors), and 12316 (excessive charges).
 - 13. Financial Code section 12103 provides in relevant part:

Whenever in the opinion of the commissioner . . . any person or licensee is violating any provision of this division, the commissioner may order the person or licensee to desist and to refrain from engaging in such business or further violating this division.

Based on the foregoing findings, the Commissioner of Business Oversight is of the opinion that Kevin A. Fisher dba KFisher Consulting Group has engaged in prorater services in this state without a license in violation of Financial Code section 12200.

Pursuant to Financial Code section 12103, Kevin A. Fisher dba KFisher Consulting Group is hereby ordered to desist and refrain from engaging in prorater services unless and until duly licensed

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1 under the Check Sellers, Bill Payers and Proraters Law or unless exempt.

This Order is necessary, in the public interest, for the protection of investors and consistent with the purposes, policies and provisions of the Check Sellers, Bill Payers and Proraters Law.

Dated: October 12, 2015

JAN LYNN OWEN Commissioner of Business Oversight

By MARY ANN SMITH
Deputy Commissioner

Enforcement Division